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Tēnā koe John Luke

Your request for information - Reference OIA 2223-0420

Thank you for your email of 26 November 2022 to the Department of Internal Affairs (the Department), requesting the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

“You have call for nominations on the following positions recently Water Services Entities Establishment Boards (four) Film and Literature Board of Review Guardians Kaitiaki of the Alexander Turnbull Library Library and Information Advisory Commission

May I ask how did you call for public nomination and on what platform you have call for public nominations, e.g. govt.jobs website. Also, how many applications you have received from the public and how many you have received from other nominating agencies such as TPK or ministry of women for each role. How many you have shortlisted and how many you have interviewed for each role.”

Response to your request

Statutory Body:

1. Water Service Entities Establishment Boards

The call for expressions of interest to the four Water Services Entity Establishment Boards was posted on the Department’s website, on the statutory appointments page.

It was also advertised on the following platforms:

- Institute of Directors website
- Better Board Appointments website
- LinkedIn (Three Waters page)

The call for expressions of interest also went to the following public nominating agencies: Te Puni Kōkori, Ministry for Women, Ministry for Pacific Peoples, The Treasury, Whaikaha - Ministry for Disabled People, and the Office of Ethnic Communities.

The Department also sought nominations through engagement directly with mana whenua and the iwi coalescing within Water Service Entities, and the local government sector via Local Government New Zealand. Engagement was also made with the key stakeholders of Taituarā and Water New Zealand who publicised these opportunities widely to their members.

The Department has received 132 nominations to date. The shortlist will be selected by the Minister of Local Government in due course, and interviews will be arranged accordingly.

Please refer to **Appendix A**.

Statutory Bodies:

2. Film and Literature Board of Review
3. Library and Information Advisory Commission
4. Guardians Kaitiaki of the Alexander Turnbull Library

The call for expressions of interest for the above statutory bodies was posted on the Department's website, on the statutory appointments page.

Please refer to **Appendix A** for a list of platforms where expressions of interest were advertised. Please also find in **Appendix A** the number of nominations, the numbers shortlisted and the numbers interviewed to date. Where there has not been an interview, they will be arranged in due course as the appointment process progresses.

Information requesting for a breakdown of the number of applications received each from other nominating agencies would require a significant amount of time and personnel resource in excess of reasonable expectation. Therefore, this part of your request has been refused under section 18(f) of the Act as the information cannot be made available without substantial collation or research.

As this information may be of interest to other members of the public, the Department intends on publishing a copy of this response on the Department's website. Your personal details will be removed and we will not publish any information that would identify you as the person who requested the information.

You have the right, under section 28(3) of the Act, to seek an investigation and review of this decision by the Office of the Ombudsman. The postal address of the Office of the Ombudsman is PO Box 10152, Wellington. Alternatively, you can phone 0800 802 602 or email info@ombudsman.parliament.nz.

Nāku noa, nā



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